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## **REGION 10 BULLETIN NO: 06-36**

SUBJECT: Grants Available to Advance Public Participation

PROGRAM AREAS: Planning

DATE: November 22, 2006

The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) is soliciting proposals for applied research in the area of public participation as it relates to the planning of public transportation. Successful proposals will be funded through the Public Transportation Participation Pilot Program (PTP Program), as called for under Section 5338(a)(11) of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU).

The purpose of the PTP Program is to support the development of innovative approaches to improving public participation in transportation planning, with particular focus on public transportation. FTA has budgeted approximately \$890,000 for conducting research under this initial phase of the PTP Program. Funding for future years of the Program will be based on availability of funds.

Proposals must be received on or before 4:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time on December 11, 2006 and submitted as a PDF file through

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do?oppId=11467&mode=VIEW>.

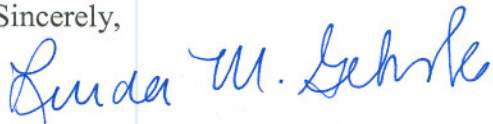
Prospective offerors may also wish to visit the following websites for more information:

- For FTA's planning programs and research priorities [www.fta.dot.gov/planning/](http://www.fta.dot.gov/planning/).
- For transportation planning resources, including prior research, the FTA/FHWA Transportation Planning Capacity Building Program, [www.planning.dot.gov](http://www.planning.dot.gov).
- Selected recipients will be required to manage their projects in accordance with FTA Circular 6100.C: Transit Research and Technology Programs: Application Instructions and Program Management Guidelines:  
[http://www.fta.dot.gov/publications/circulars/publications\\_4121.html](http://www.fta.dot.gov/publications/circulars/publications_4121.html). This includes requirements on project management and administration including quarterly reporting, financial management, and payment.

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For questions about the PTP Program and this solicitation, please contact Ned Conroy in the Region 10 office at email [ned.conroy@dot.gov](mailto:ned.conroy@dot.gov) or 206-220-4318 or Rachael Barolsky at the U.S. DOT Research and Innovative Technology Administration (RITA) Volpe Center at [Rachael.Barolsky@volpe.dot.gov](mailto:Rachael.Barolsky@volpe.dot.gov) or 617-494-6352. The Volpe Center is assisting FTA in the administration of the PTP Program. Effie Stallsmith at the FTA Office of Planning and Environment at [Effie.Stallsmith@dot.gov](mailto:Effie.Stallsmith@dot.gov) or 202-366-5653 can also be contacted.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Linda M. Gehlke".

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Regional Administrator